

January 14, 2003

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: ***Ex Parte***

In the Matter of Review of the Section 251 Unbundling Obligations of Incumbent  
Local Exchange Carriers, CC Docket No. 01-338;  
Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions of the Telecommunications  
Act of 1996, CC Docket No. 96-98;  
Deployment of Wireline Services Offering Advanced Telecommunications  
Capability, CC Docket No. 98-147

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Friday, January 10, 2003, the High Tech Broadband Coalition (HTBC) delivered the attached letter to each member of the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation. The letter was entered into the record of that Committee's hearing today regarding "the State of Competition in the Telecommunications Industry." As HTBC representatives also forwarded copies of the letter to various members of the Commission staff, it is submitted herewith for inclusion in the record of the above-captioned proceedings

Any questions in connection with this filing may be directed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Derek R. Khlopin

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Enclosure